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1. PLAN FOR ASTRO-COSMONAUT TOURS OF US AND USSR SIGNED
HERE BY DONNELLY AND VERESHCHETIN ON AUGUST 8 SUBJECT TO
CONFIRMATION BY PRINCIPALS. SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS FOLLOWS:

--- A. NASA AND SOVIET ACADEMY ARE HOST ORGANIZATIONS.

--- B. DONNELLY AND VERESHCHETIN (INTERIM) POINTS OF CON-
TACT.

--- C. JOINT CREW TOUR TO BEGIN IN US ON SEPTEMBER 1
(SUBJECT TO US CONFIRMATION WITHIN ONE WEEK); VISIT TO USSR
TENTATIVELY COMMENCES SEPTEMBER 20 IN MOSCOW.

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--- D. USSR PROPOSED 17-PERSON DELEGATION FOR TOUR IN US; US PROPOSED 22-PERSON DELEGATION FOR TOUR IN USSR. NEITHER FIGURE INCLUDES ASTRONAUT/COSMONAUT CHILDREN WHO MAY ACCOMPANY PARENTS. FINAL SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF OFFICIAL PARTY TO BE EXCHANGED WITHIN 10 DAYS OF DATE OF DOCUMENT.

--- E. HOST ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPING ITINERARY IN ITS COUNTRY, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER SIDE. SIDES EXCHANGED TENTATIVE LISTS OF CITIES TO BE VISITED. SOVIET CITIES: MOSCOW, LENINGRAD, NOVOSIBIRSK, SOCHI, VOLGOGRAD, KIEV. US CITIES: WASHINGTON, CHICAGO, OMAHA, SALT LAKE CITY, LOS ANGELES, LAKE TAHOE, PORTLAND (ORE.), SAN FRANCISCO, ONE CITY SELECTED IN OKLAHOMA, NEW MEXICO, OR ARKANSAS, DALLAS, NASHVILLE, NEW YORK. EACH SIDE TO INFORM ITS COUNTRY OF FINAL ITINERARY AND MAJOR EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES. DEPARTMENT NOTED EVIDENT IMBALANCE IN NUMBERS OF PROPOSED CITIES (OUR 12 TO THEIR 6). NASA SAYS THAT US NUMBER WILL BE SCALED DOWN.

--- F. US SIDE TO DETERMINE SYG'S AVAILABILITY FOR PRESENTATION OF FLOWN UN FLAG.

--- G. SENDING SIDE WILL MAKE APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR CLEARING SPECIAL AIRCRAFT FLIGHTS TRANSPORTING VISITING PARTY TO HOST COUNTRY THROUGH ITS EMBASSY. (FYI. SOVIETS INTEND USE SPECIAL FLIGHT.)

--- H. HOST ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBLE FOR ADVANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISIT TO ITS COUNTRY; EACH SIDE TO LIST LOGISTICAL REQUIREMENTS WITHIN 10 DAYS OF DATE OF DOCUMENT.

--- I. BOTH SIDES WILL CONDUCT JOINT CREW PRESS CONFERENCES. AGREED PROCEDURES PROVIDE THAT ALL ACCREDITED MEDIA IN EACH COUNTRY WILL BE INVITED TO COVER PRINCIPAL PRESS CONFERENCES.

--- J. EACH SIDE WILL PROVIDE 2 INTERPRETERS FOR ITS OWN USE IN THE OTHER COUNTRY.

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--- K. SENDING SIDE WILL PROVIDE INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION FOR ITS OFFICIAL PARTY. HOST ORGANIZATION WILL COVER ALL EXPENSES OF OFFICIAL PARTIES DIRECTLY RELATED TO JOINT CREW VISIT AND SCHEDULE. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WILL COVER THEIR OWN EXPENSES.

--- L. EACH SIDE WILL DETERMINE NUMBER AND LEVEL OF US DEPARTMENT OF STATE/USSR MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND/

OR RESPECTIVE EMBASSY PARTICIPATION IN TOUR IN OTHER'S COUNTRY. UP TO TWO PLACES HAVE BEEN RESERVED IN EACH OFFICIAL PARTY FOR SUCH PARTICIPATION'

--- M. COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUES FLOWN ABOARD ASTP SPACECRAFT WILL BE RESERVED FOR PRESENTATION TO HEADS OF STATE (FOR USSR, THIS IS UNDERSTOOD TO MEAN BREZHNEV). EACH SIDE AGREED UPON RESPONSIBILITIES FOR PREPARING OTHER JOINT PRESENTATION ITEMS.

--- N. AGREED TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION ON ANY VISUAL MATERIAL EITHER SIDE PLANS TO USE ON TOURS.

--- O. US SIDE AGREED TO PROVIDE ROOM ON US TOUR PLANE FOR SOVIET DOCUMENTARY FILM CREW OF UP TO 3 PEOPLE. THEY WILL COVER THEIR OWN HOTEL AND LIVING EXPENSES. SOVIET SIDE WILL CONSIDER PROVIDING US SIDE A 35-MM MASTER PRINT OF THE FINISHED SOVIET FILM.

--- P. MEDIA RELATIONS:

--- 1. EACH SIDE WILL ACCREDIT AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR 10 MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES OF THE OTHER COUNTRY TO ACCOMPANY THE OFFICIAL PARTY THROUGHOUT THE TOUR OF ITS COUNTRY. THESE MEDIA ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE DEDICATED TO POOL COVERAGE, IF SO DESIRED.

--- 2. FURTHER AGREED THAT EACH SIDE WILL GIVE APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE TO AN ADDITIONAL 10 MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES FROM OTHER SIDE IN OBTAINING ACCREDITATION, MAKING THEIR OWN ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRAVEL, HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS, LOCAL TRANSPORTATION, ETC., AS DESIRED DURING THEIR COVERAGE OF JOINT TOUR OF SELECTED PORTIONS IN EACH COUNTRY.

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--- 3. US MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE IDENTIFIED BY NASA AFTER COORDINATION WITH US EMBASSY MOSCOW. USSR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE IDENTIFIED BY SOVIET ACADEMY AFTER COORDINATION WITH USSR EMBASSY WASHINGTON.

--- Q. CONTENTS OF DOCUMENT NOT FOR PUBLIC RELEASE UNTIL CONFIRMED BY NASA AND SOVIET ACADEMY WITHIN 14 DAYS OF DATE OF DOCUMENT (8/8).

2. NASA WOULD WELCOME EMBASSY COMMENTS, PARTICULARLY ON PARAGRAPHS E, L, AND P ABOVE.

3. DEPARTMENT WILL FORWARD ASAP DOCUMENT OF DONNELLY-VERESHCHETIN MEETING RECORDING MORE COMPLETELY PRELIMINARY

PLANS FOR ASTP CREW VISITS.

4. NO US ADVANCE PARTY WILL COME TO THE USSR; AS PER PARA
H OF CABLE, HOST ORGANIZATION IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ADVANCE
ARRANGEMENTS IN ITS COUNTRY. KISSINGER

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